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Melanie Sloan, Executive Director  
Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington  
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RE: MUR 5409

Dear Ms. Sloan:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on February 4, 2004, concerning an alleged contribution in the form of a "master contact list" from Americans for Tax Reform, Inc. and Grover Norquist to Bush-Cheney '04 and Ken Mehlman. Based on that complaint, on October 19, 2004, the Commission found:

Reason to believe that Americans for Tax Reform, Inc. violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a);  
Reason to believe that Grover Norquist violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a);  
Reason to believe that Bush-Cheney '04 and David Herndon, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441b(a) and 434(b);  
Reason to believe that Ken Mehlman violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a);  
No reason to believe that Grover Norquist violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(A); and  
No reason to believe that Bush-Cheney '04 and David Herndon, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f).

However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action in this matter, and closed the file in this matter on October 19, 2004. One or more Commissioners may elect to issue a Statement of Reasons in this matter. Any Statement(s) of Reasons issued will be forwarded to you.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,



Mark Allen  
Attorney

Enclosure  
General Counsel's Report